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Sir:

In accordance to 37 C.F.R. § 1.560(b), submitted herewith is a record of the substance of the interview on November 16, 2005, between Examiner Desai and the undersigned attorney regarding the above-captioned application. This statement is being submitted within one (1) month of the mailing date of November 18, 2005, of the Interview Summary and is therefore a timely response.

Consistent with the Office's record of the Interview, the Examiner requested authorization to amend pending claims 17 and 18 to remove dependency on now canceled claims.

Should the Patent Office determine that an extension and/or other relief is required, Applicants petition for any required relief including extensions of time and

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authorize the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to **Deposit Account No. 50-0872**, referencing attorney docket no. 060925-2001. However, the Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

If telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at (650) 251-1129.

Respectfully submitted,

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